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MEMORANDUM FOR: Secretary, Intelligence Advisory Committee

ATTENTION : Mr. Walter J. Moberg

SUBJECT : Data Regarding the Advisory Committee on Foreign Language Publications

REFERENCE : Your memo, 5 April 1955, same subject.

Pursuant to your request under reference the following information is submitted:

1. Origin and Functions of Advisory Committee on Foreign Language Publications (ACFLP):

a. As a result of findings of a Working Group on Foreign Language Publications appointed by the Economic Intelligence Committee, NSCID 16 (approved 7 March 1953) was promulgated. Paragraph 5 of NSCID 16 provides for an Advisory Committee on Foreign Language Publications to assist the DCI in the implementation of the directive. The Committee was to be composed of representatives of the IAC agencies and other agencies of the Government were to be invited to sit with the Committee on matters of mutual concern.

b. On 5 August 1954, the IAC requested that the USIA be invited to participate in the work of the ACFLP (IAC-D-82/1).

c. The functions of the Committee include

(1) the coordination of the procurement of foreign language publications for intelligence purposes, it being understood that captured documents are excepted.

(2) the coordination of the preparation and dissemination of English-language excerpts, summaries, abstracts, and compilations from foreign language publications.

(3) the coordination of the development and maintenance of indices, accession lists, and reference services pertaining to foreign language publications.

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2. Selection of Members of the ACFLP.

a. Members of the ACFLP are designated by the respective agencies. There are no ex officio members.

b. The Chairman of the ACFLP is designated by the DD/I-CIA.

3. Subcommittees of the ACFLP

a. Procurement of Foreign Language Publications

Chairman:  - CIA

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b. Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications

Chairman: John J. Bagnall - CIA

c. Referencing of Foreign Language Publications

Chairman:  - CIA

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4. Committee Reports and Publications

a. The only regular Committee report is the Annual Foreign Language Exploitation Review which is circulated among all IAC and other agencies who are members of the ACFLP. About 350 copies are printed.

b. Subcommittees and Committee minutes of meetings are circulated within the committee itself.

5. Annual Report: An annual report of the accomplishments of the ACFLP is submitted to the IAC in March of each year.

6. Meetings: The subcommittees meet once a month usually at CIA, although the Reference Subcommittee has held meetings in the libraries of the several agencies for orientation purposes. The ACFLP itself meets on call of a member or the Chairman at CIA.



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